

PATENT APPLICATION

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In re application of

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RETARDATION FILM AND OPTICAL DEVICE EMPLOYING IT

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

For:

This Request is submitted in response to the Notice of Allowance and Notice of Allowability dated May 16, 2001.

Applicants note that an Information Disclosure Statement was filed on May 14, 2002, prior to the mailing date on the Notice of Allowance of May 16, 2002, citing JP 6-25398 and including a partial translation thereof. In view thereof, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner acknowledge receipt of the Information Disclosure Statement and return an initialed copy of the PTO 1449 Form submitted therewith. For the Examiner's convenience, a complete translation of JP 6-25398 is submitted herewith for the record, as is a copy of the PTO 1449 form.

The initialed copy of the PTO 1449 Form filed on May 14, 2002, may be transmitted by facsimile to the undersigned at (202) 293-7860. If the Examiner has any questions, the undersigned can be contacted by telephone at (202) 775-7533.

Respectfully submitted,

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